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Dear Mr Galalae,

As you know, the Departmental Disciplinary Panel met on 3rd September to consider your appeal against your removal from the online Political Philosophy course for breach of the online netiquette rules. I am now able to inform you of the outcome of the panel meeting.

The panel has reviewed the evidence before it and has concluded that you did breach the online netiquette rule 7, by making inappropriate comments about other students, in your postings on the Common Room forum on the 1st and 2nd of June.

The panel considered that the decision to remove you from the course for this offence was disproportionately severe. This conclusion was reached in the light of the panel's view that the extent to which your postings were inappropriate or offensive was relatively minor, and that in response to a request from the course tutor you posted to the common room forum, on 2nd June, an apology for any offence you had caused.

Noting that the course has ended, the panel considers that reimbursement of the full fee for the course would be appropriate in the light of its decision, and is pleased to note that the Department has already done so.

yours sincerely

Dr Peter Gambles

Secretary, Continuing Education Board